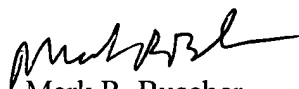


## REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 9-17, and 19-23 remain pending in the present application. The claims have been amended to recite toluene as the hydrocarbon co-solvent. Claims 5-8, 18, 24, and 25 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein. Early and favorable action on the merits are respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact applicants' representative, Mark R. Buscher (Reg. No. 35,006) at 703 753 5256.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark R. Buscher', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

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